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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Dear Sir:

In connection with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of the Amendment after Final filed October 14, 2004, and of the following entry and remarks, which are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed June 21, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed January 24, 2005. An Information Disclosure Statement accompanies this Preliminary Amendment and RCE.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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